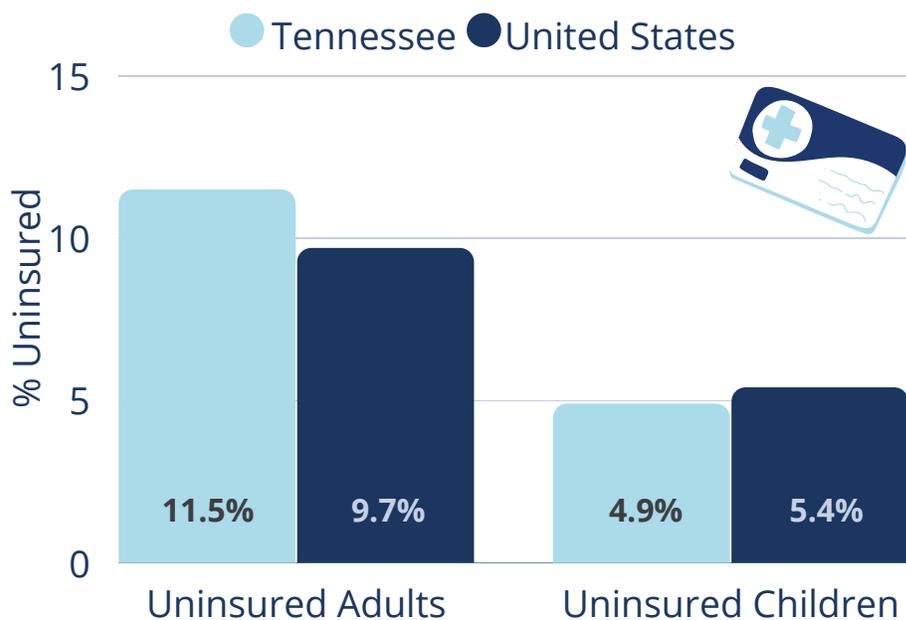




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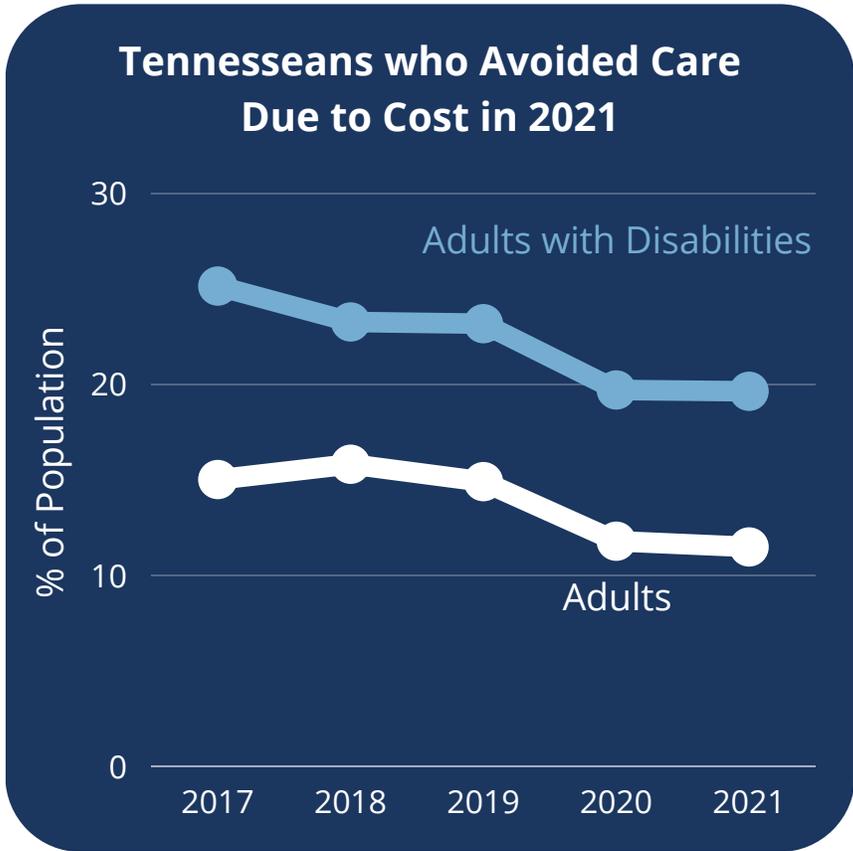
## A HEALTHY SYSTEM OF CARE : Access

Tennessee statute states that "every citizen should have reasonable access to health care." Access to care can often be limited by insurance status, cost of care, and access to facilities such as rural hospitals.



**Tennessee ranks**  
**48th**  
**for underinsured children.**

In Tennessee, 13.0% of children with private insurance do not have coverage for mental or emotional problems, compared to 8.1% in the United States.



**Rural Hospitals in TN**  
Rural hospitals face the specific challenge of balancing community needs and financial viability of the services being offered.

# Closed since 2005: **16**

# At Risk of Closure: **21**

% At Risk of Closure: **44%**

For more information on the State of Health in Tennessee and the State Health Plan, visit [www.tn.gov/health](http://www.tn.gov/health)



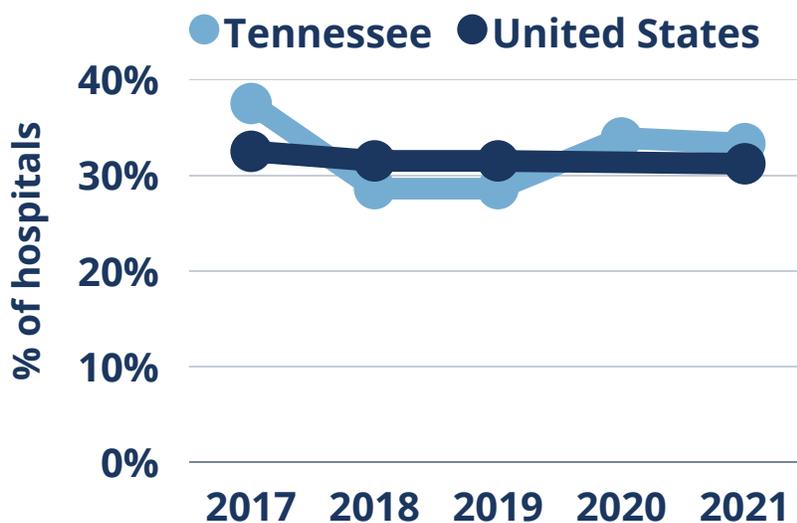


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## A HEALTHY SYSTEM OF CARE : Quality of Care

### Hospital Quality

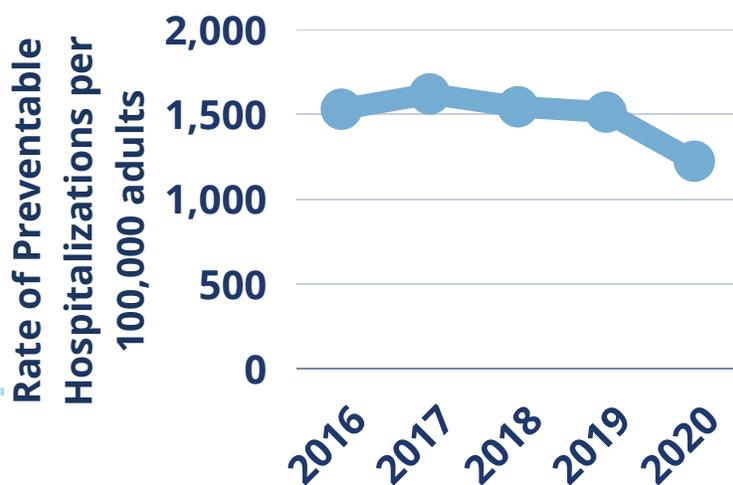
In 2021, 33.3% of hospitals in Tennessee had the top-quality rating (Grade A) on the Hospital Safety Score compared to 31.2% in the U.S.



### Preventable Hospitalizations in Tennessee

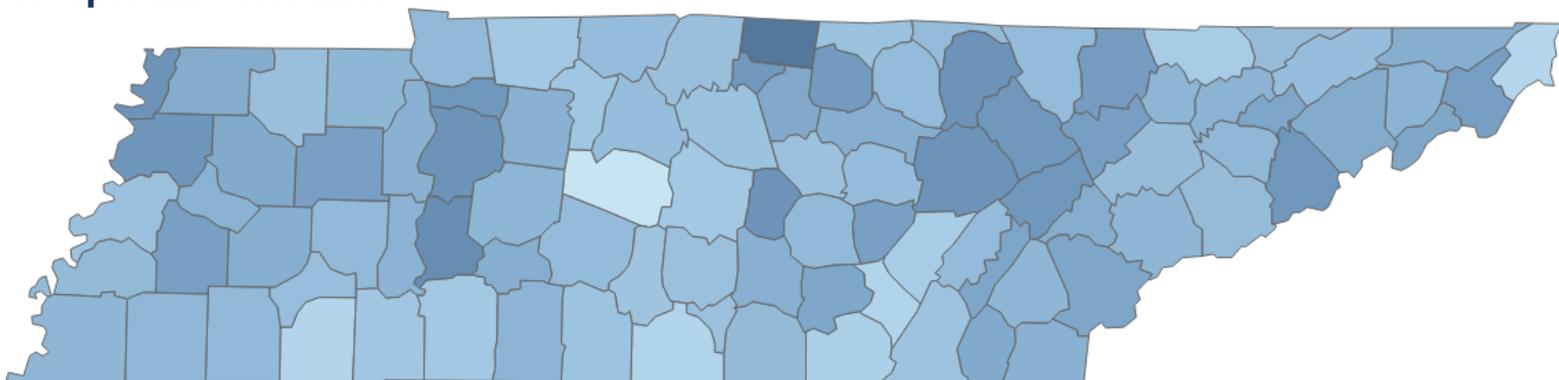
Rate of hospitalizations for ambulatory care-sensitive conditions per 100,000 adults.\*

Evidence shows that consistent quality access to primary care should manage ambulatory care-sensitive conditions such as diabetes and asthma, sufficiently to prevent hospitalizations.



### 2020 Preventable Hospitalization Rate

456 2,443



\*COVID-19 has been associated with statistically significant decreases in preventable hospitalizations, particularly respiratory-related preventable hospitalizations such as asthma. Despite these seemingly positive decreases in preventable hospitalizations, the pandemic impacted both patient decision making as well as hospital capacity and data should be interpreted with caution.



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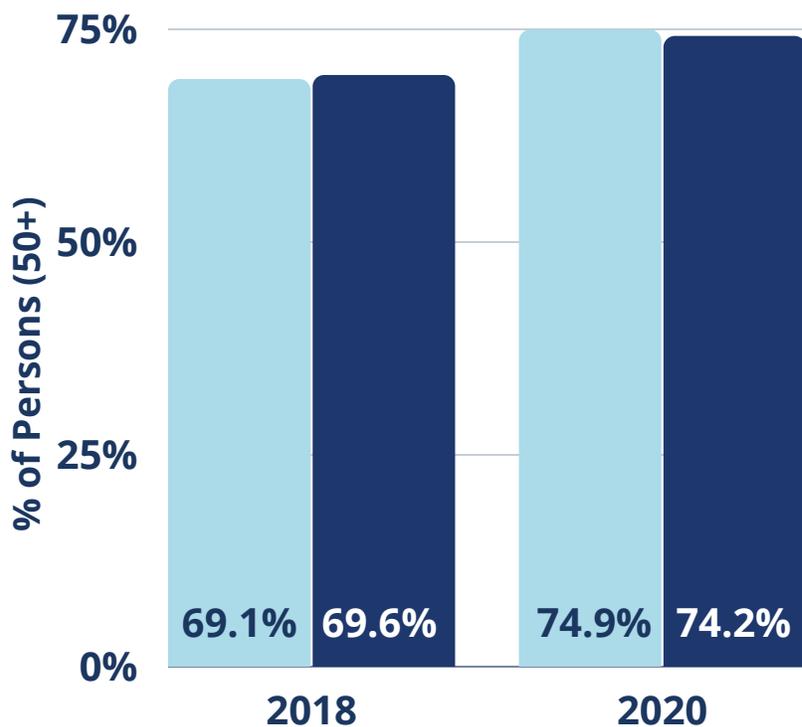
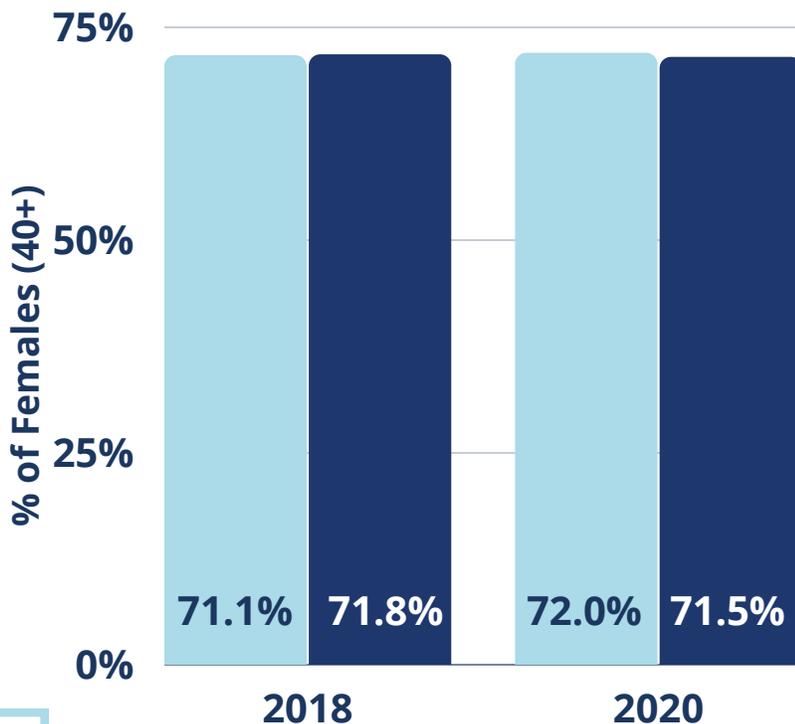
## A HEALTHY SYSTEM OF CARE : Screenings

### Breast Cancer Screenings

Percentage of Females Ages 40+ who reported having a mammogram in the past 2 years.

Breast cancer screenings in Tennessee slightly increased from 71.11% in 2018 to 71.98% in 2020.

Tennessee's breast cancer mortality rate is 21.6 per 100,000 females compared to the U.S.'s 19.6 per 100,000 females.



### Colorectal Cancer Screenings

Percentage of persons ages 50+ who reported ever having a colorectal endoscopy (sigmoidoscopy or colonoscopy).

Colorectal cancer screenings in Tennessee increased from 69.13% in 2018 to 74.94% in 2020.

Tennessee's colorectal cancer mortality rate is 14.8 per 100,000 persons compared to the U.S.'s 13.1 per 100,000 persons.



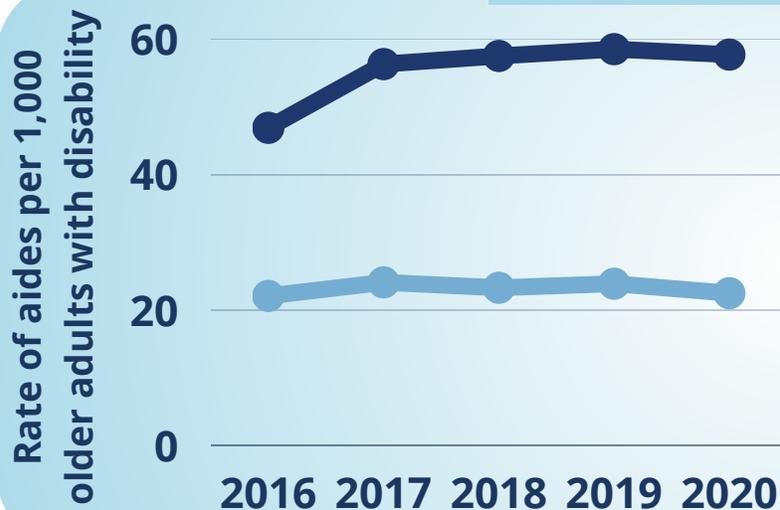
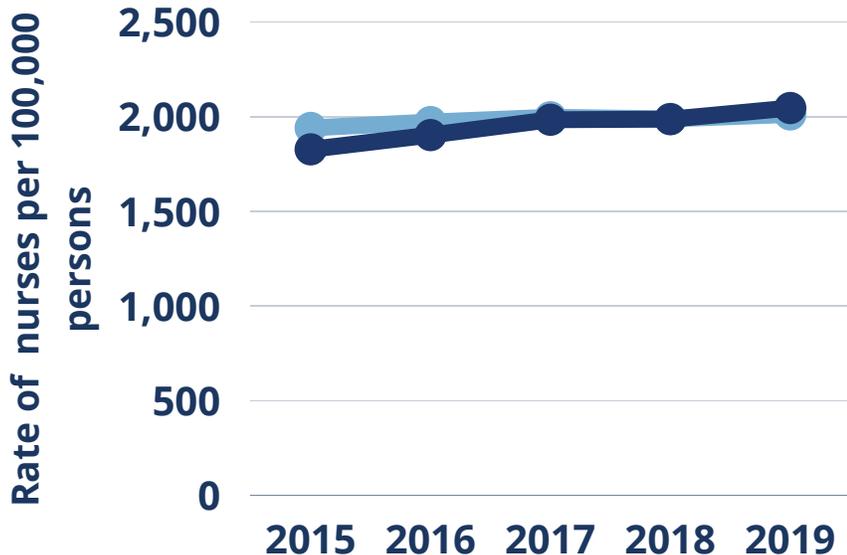
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## A HEALTHY SYSTEM OF CARE : Workforce

### Nurses

Rate of active registered nurse (RN) and licensed practical nurse (LPN) licenses per 100,000 persons.

In 2019 Tennessee had 2012.1 nurses per 100,000 persons compared to 2045.9 in the United States.



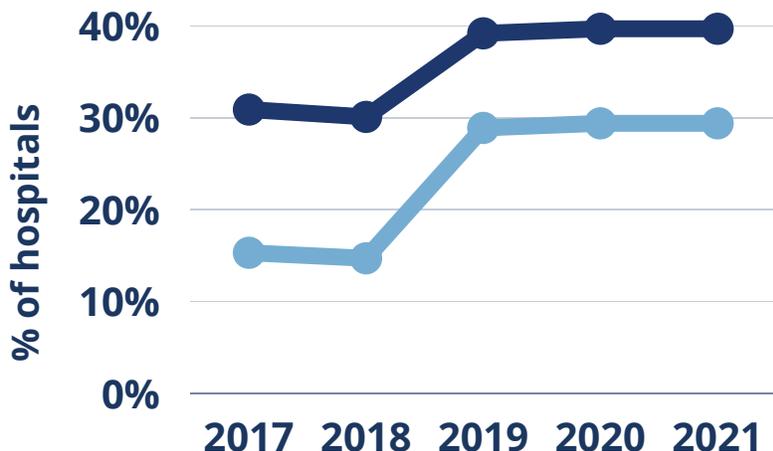
Home Health Care  
Rate of personal care and home health aides per 1,000 adults ages 65+ with a disability.

In 2020, Tennessee had half the number of personal care and home health aides per 1,000 adults aged 65+ with a disability than the U.S.

### Palliative Care

Percentage of hospitals providing palliative care programs.

In 2021, 29.4% of Tennessee hospitals provided palliative care programs compared to 39.7% in the United States.



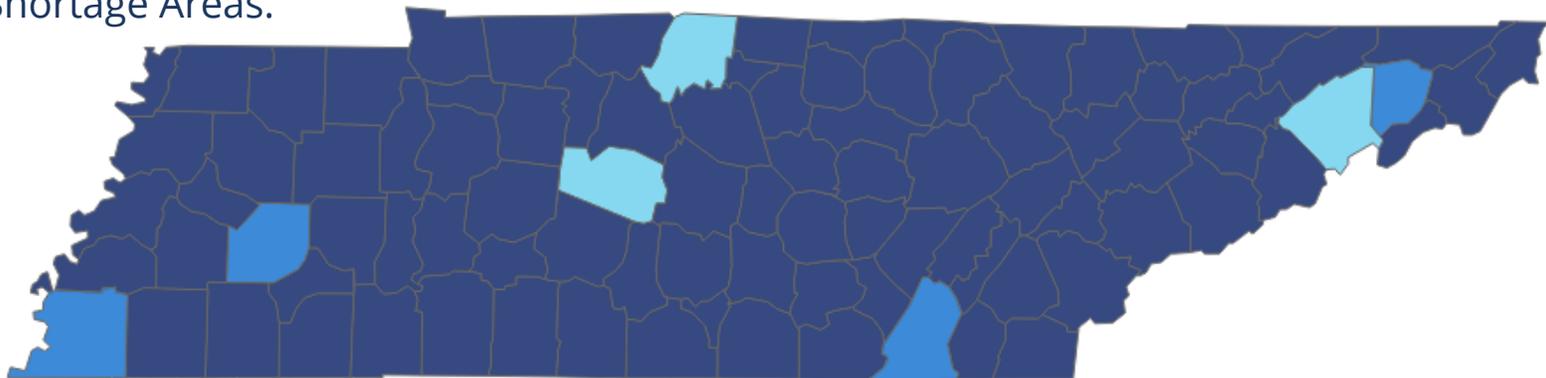


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## A HEALTHY SYSTEM OF CARE : Workforce

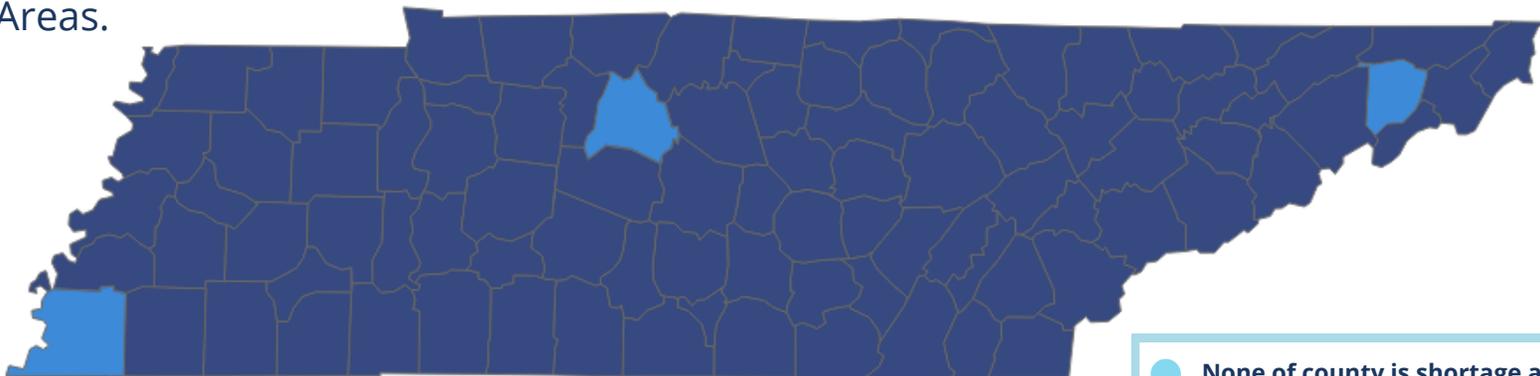
### Primary Care Health Professional Shortage Areas

In 2022, 92.6% of TN counties were considered Primary Care Health Professional Shortage Areas.



### Mental Health Professional Shortage Areas

In 2022, 96.8% of TN counties were considered Mental Health Professional Shortage Areas.



- None of county is shortage area
- Part of county is shortage area
- Whole county is shortage area

### Dental Health Professional Shortage Areas

In 2022, 95.8% of TN counties were considered Dental Health Professional Shortage Areas.

